FISCAL NOTE

SB 2704

February 6, 2004

SUMMARY OF BILL: Provides that a person who has a prior felony conviction involving use of, or attempted use of, force, violence or deadly weapon commits a Class E felony if such person possesses *any* firearm rather than just a handgun.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$79,700/Incarceration*

Estimate assumes an additional 16 Class E felony convictions each year. This represents a 5% increase over the 310 Class E felony convictions in the prior year for unlawful carrying of weapons.

*Section 9-4-210, TCA, requires that: For any law enacted after July 1, 1986, which results in a net increase in periods of imprisonment in state facilities, there shall be appropriated from recurring revenues the estimated operating cost of such law. The amount appropriated for operating cost, in current dollars, shall be based upon the highest cost of the next 10 years, beginning with the year the additional sentence to be served impacts the correctional facilities population.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director